to import coins from abroad. (3) The existing Mints are being modernised. (4) A new Mint with an annual capacity of 2000 million pieces is being established at NOIDA, UP. It is expected that the Mint would be commissioned in 1988-89.

Raids to unearth black money

221. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of black money unearthed as a result of the raids conducted at the office and business premises of various business houses and others during the months of December, 1985 and January and February, 1986, till date;

(b) what has been the general modus operandi of hoarding of such ill-gotten wealth for avoiding tax thereon and what are the loopholes, if any, in the existing procedure which need to be plugged; and

(c) what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken against these unsocial elements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) During the period December, 1985 to February, 1986 (part), Income-tax Department conducted 1602 searches and seized, *prima-facie*, unaccounted assets worth Rs. 16.62 crires approximately.

The unaccounted money is invested in movable and immovable properties such as jewellery, shares, F.D. Rs. building etc. Loopholes in the procedure are plugged immediately on detaction by way of suitable amendments.

All necessary measures including legislative, administrative and institutional are being taken from time to time against the tax evaders.

Raid on cigarette manufacturers

222. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
SHRI NAND KISHORE BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Income Tax authorities have recently conducted raids at the office/residential premises of some of the leading cigarette manufacturers in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details of cash and other incriminating documents seized as a result thereof; and

(c) what further action is contemplated against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Income Tax Department have recently conducted searches in the cases of M/s. Godfrey Phillips India Ltd., M/s. Hindustan Tabacco Company and their associates on 9-1-1986 and seized, *inter-alia*, cash of Rs. 17.92 lakhs plus 4 US dollar plus 5 UK pounds and several incriminating documents.

Necessary action under various provisions of Direct Taxes Acts has been initiated in all these cases.

ITDC Hotels in Delhi

223. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the hotels run by ITDC in Delhi;

(b) what is the name of the hotel which was constructed last by the ITDC in the Capital and when did it commence business; and

(c) what is the number of rooms of different categories in this hotel and what is its normal occupancy rate?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) ITDC runs the following 9 hotels in Delhi:—

1. Ashok Hotel
2. Janpath Hotel
3. Qutab Hotel
4. Akbar Hotel
5. Lodhi Hotel
6. Ranjit Hotel
7. Hotel Samrat
8. Kanishka Hotel
9. Ashok Yatri Niwas

(b) and (c) Hotel Samrat New Delhi was constructed last and it commenced business w.e.f. 14-11-1982. There are 264 rooms in the Hotel as under:—

Category	No. of rooms
Suites	2
Apartments	13
Double rooms	44
Twin bedded rooms	205

The average room occupancy of this Hotel during the current year 1985-86 (Upto January 1986) is 77 per cent.

Casual watchmen employed by FCI in Punjab

224. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of 'regular' and 'casual' watchmen respectively employed by the Food Corporation of India in Punjab;

(b) whether it is a fact that these 'casual' watchmen have been employed by the FCI for a period upto six years without regularising their services; and

(c) what are the details of the duties or functions and also the remuneration of the aforesaid 'regular' and 'casual' watchmen?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) There are 1517 FCI watchmen working in the Punjab Region of Food Corporation of India. The details regarding number of regular and casual watchmen in position separately are not readily available.

(b) The casual watchmen have been engaged by FCI on deployment basis from Punjab Home Guards and as such the question of their regularisation in the service of the FCI does not arise. Some of these watchmen have been engaged for more than five years.

(c) The duties and functions of the regular and casual watchmen while engaged in FCI are the same. Whereas the regular watchmen of the Corporation are in the pay scales of Rs. 210—290, the casual watchmen of the Punjab Home Guards are being paid emoluments by FCI as per the rates approved by the State authorities.

Smuggling of Narcotics into India from Pakistan

225. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS:

SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARDAWAJ:

SHRI SYED RAHMAT ALI:

SHRI NAND KISHORE BHATT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total quantity of narcotics of different varieties seized by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence while being smuggled into India from Pakistan during the years 1983, 1984, 1985 and so far during 1986;

(b) what are the main reasons for the said trend; and